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**Taking your next production out of state could mean leaving millions of dollars behind.**

The Michigan Film Incentive can give back as much as \$7 million in rebates annually to productions that stay home in Michigan - this includes commercial production. There's money yet to be spent in 2007 so go for it now! It's easy to understand and easy to apply at [www.michigan.gov/filmoffice](http://www.michigan.gov/filmoffice).



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## **Michigan Film Tax Incentive in a nutshell...**

-Must spend at least \$200,000 in Michigan to be eligible.

-Graduated scale for credit:

-between \$200,000-\$1 million, production company receives up to 12% refund

-between \$1 million-\$5 million, production company receives up to 16% refund

-between \$5 million-\$10 million, production company receives up to 20% refund

-maximum rebate of \$2 million per production at this time

-Company must submit the Application to film office and be pre-approved before becoming eligible. After the Application is approved, an Agreement earmarking funds will be signed.

-Application must include: estimated Michigan expenditures, project type, Michigan production days, local hires and more. The company must send a script/storyboard, insurance documents, the budget, any confidential information requirements and the \$50 application fee. The project must commence filming within 90 days of approval.

-\$7 million total limit available each tax year (tax year runs January-December).

-If the Film Office and Treasury agree that the production company has complied with the law and their Agreement, and after all post-production paperwork has been completed and approved (an audit may in some instances be required), a post-production certificate shall be given to the company. This certificate will be submitted to Treasury for the rebate.

-Commercials, documentaries and TV series are also eligible.

Companies are not eligible if they owe the state any money, guaranteed loans, etc, or if owned by a company in default with the state.

This incentive became effective in January 2007.

Please call or email the Michigan Film Office for application information and details or go online at [www.michigan.gov/filmoffice](http://www.michigan.gov/filmoffice).